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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS.

Iron County Democratic Central Committee met at Ironton, Mo., Monday, April 30, 1900, pursuant to call of Chairman.

Present: J. M. Morris, Wiley M. O'Neal, F. P. Hillburn, Joe. S. Bollinger, W. R. Patterson, Wm. R. Edgar, Wm. A. Fletcher, J. W. Harral, Chas. H. Cox and Jas. P. Barger by W. T. O'Neal, proxy, when the following proceedings were had:

On motion, it was ordered that a Primary Election be held on Saturday, June 23d, 1900, to nominate candidates for the various County Offices.

On motion, it was ordered that for the precincts of Des Arc, Annapolis, Ironton and Bellevue there be appointed four Judges, and that said precincts have four Clerks, and that the precincts as follows—Dunn's, Polk's, Pilot Knob, Graniteville, Kaolin, Bell's, Henderson's, Love's and Imboden have two Judges and Clerks, each.

The following persons were then chosen to serve as Judges of Election at the various precincts, the Judges being empowered to select their Clerks set forth above:

Des Arc—S. J. Jordan, C. H. Collins, G. W. Wallis, W. M. O'Neal.
Annapolis—F. P. Reece, W. J. Coleman, W. A. Butler, Wm. Lewis.
Dunn's—Chas. Bollinger and Newton Lewis.
Polk's—C. K. Polk, Geo. J. Reeves.
Ironton—F. P. Ake, R. L. Carly, S. P. Ringo, Wm. Haller.
Pilot Knob—A. C. Hancock, P. W. Whitworth.
Graniteville—Thos. Hill and Chas. Shular.
Bellevue—Jas. Harral, J. H. Campbell, Wm. Ruddock, Samuel Bond.
Kaolin—M. H. Keessling, Geo. Campbell.
Bell's—W. E. Westerman, T. R. Terry.
Henderson—Henry Volner, Nelson Stricklin.
Love's—D. S. Love, Samuel Crocker.
Imboden—Thomas Fitzgerald, J. W. Ragan.

RULES.
The Judges and Clerks of the election will be sworn not to violate the secrecy of the ballot, and the former to take charge of the ballots and poll-books and cause them to be safely and speedily delivered at the county seat to the chairman of the Executive Committee.

Judges will not permit illegal voting, and in cases of doubt as to age, residence, or other legal qualifications, they will cause the voter to be sworn.

No voter will be permitted to cast his ballot at any other than the township in which he resides. Judges will see this rule strictly enforced.

Only known Democrats and those who will pledge themselves to support the Democratic County Ticket will be permitted to vote at this election. And Judges will see that this rule is rigidly enforced.

All Democrats who are not yet of age, but who will be legal voters at the time of the General Election in November, 1900, are entitled to vote at this Primary.

The Primary will be held under the Primary Election Law of Missouri, and under the Australian system.

The usual fees will be paid Judges, Clerks and Messengers.

On motion, it is ordered that the Chairman and Secretary be instructed to transact all further business coming before this Committee without calling the committee together.

On motion, it is ordered that all expenses incurred by reason of this primary be paid by the candidates for the various county offices, and that no candidates for township offices be allowed on the ticket. The Chairman and Secretary of this Committee are ordered to adjust the assessments fairly and impartially upon the candidates in sufficient amount to defray all expenses of this election, and that all assessments be paid to the Chairman of this Committee on or before June 23d, 1900, and that the name of no candidate who has not paid his assessment at that date shall be placed upon the ticket.

Adjourned to May 26th, 1900, 1 o'clock P. M., unless sooner called together by Chairman.

WM. R. EDGAR, Chairman.
WM. A. FLETCHER, Secretary.

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The Faith of the Flag.

"Who will haul down the flag?" quoth he.
Why, no hand of flesh or bone
Can lower that flag on land or sea
Till the faith of the flag is gone!
Till a few shall rule and cunningly keep
The bunting to garnish their greed;
Till dollars are dear and humanity cheap
By the force of a Tory creed!
Then will it fall! but answer us clear,
Do you fancy that hour is drawing near?
Did our liberty bell ring in vain?
Was our Declaration a lie?
Must we turn to the Old World again
With the penitent prodigal's cry?
Must we arm us and march in the van
Of Europe's barbaric parade,
And boom out gunpowder gospel to man
To open a pathway for trade?
Shall we strut through the world and bluster
And brag
With the dollar mark stamped on the brave
old flag?

Nay! haul up the flag! raise it high!
Not yet is its spirit spent!
Let it sing to the wind and the sky
The truth that it always meant!
Let it sing of the birthright of man,
Of progress that never can lag;
Let it sing that trade may go where it can,
But liberty follows the flag!

ANON.

"Hands-off," the Proper Policy.

Russia is in China "strictly for business," and she is evidently straining all her efforts to get in on the ground floor in the carving up of the Flowery Kingdom, which seems inevitable.

If by means of her large military and naval forces Russia can succeed at the start in getting control of the situation in and around Peking, suppressing the "Boxers" insurrection and assuming a protectorate over China, with the connivance and consent of the empress dowager, she will have won the first rubber in the game she has so long been playing.

That some such plan as this actuates the czar's government is plain, from the attitude of aloofness Russia has assumed in landing troops and marines near Tien-Tsin, in attacking the "Boxers," and, moreover, in the firm request of her charge d'affaires at Washington to our government, not to co-operate as an ally with England in any movement in China.

While Great Britain is on hand with a squadron of warships and Germany, Italy and the United States are near the scene of trouble in like force, and have each landed a few hundred marines, Russia has an available army of several thousand men ready to take a hand in the fighting, beside quite a strong squadron of war vessels available for immediate hostilities.

The only strong close-at-hand military force the Muscovite power in China has to dread for the moment is Japan, which has a powerful fleet of warships in Chinese waters and a well equipped and seasoned army, which she can pour into China almost as quickly as Russia can concentrate her land forces about the Chinese capital.

Japan is spoiling for a fight with Russia, to settle up old scores growing out of the China-Japanese war, and having the unmistakable backing of England, the present month may see the wily little Japs mixing conclusions with the big limbed soldiers from the valleys of the Don and Dniester.

The proper attitude of this government under the circumstances should be to preserve a strict neutrality as between these belligerent nations, ready to fly at one another's throats in the Orient, and to use its military and naval forces no further than is necessary to protect the lives and belongings of American citizens which are menaced by the threatening aspect of affairs.

With the capacity to blunder shown by our department of state in the past, and with the example of its flunkeyish subservency to England in conducting foreign affairs before the eyes of the country, it is generally doubted by our people that this wise "hands-off" course will be pursued by the administration in the Chinese complications.

Quick Relief for Asthma.

Miss Maude Dickens, Parsons, Kans., writes: "I suffered eight years with asthma in its worst form. I had several attacks during the last year and was not expected to live through them. I began using Foley's Honey and Tar, and it has never failed to give immediate relief."

For Bryan and the Platform.

The Times' forecast of the result of the New York democratic convention, made some weeks ago, has been carried out to the letter.

The united democracy of the Empire state has not only acknowledged without a dissenting voice, the leadership and declared in favor of the nomination of Wm. Jennings Bryan, but it has emphatically and unequivocally pledged itself in advance to stand by and accept whatever platform of principles may be adopted by the national con-

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Prosperity and Politics.

There will be a desperate effort on the part of the Republican party during the coming campaign to demonstrate the unusual business prosperity that has come to the country under President McKinley's administration and the resultant fact that the party is the workingman's friend. A cold-blooded survey of the facts will fail to convince the people that either proposition is true. Following close upon the action of the American Steel and Wire trust in closing down twelve mills, and throwing several thousand men out of employment, comes the announcement that several departments of the Illinois steel works have been closed, and that \$500 men are idle. One of two conclusions is inevitable: either the alleged "prosperity" is a mere transient boom, or, else, in order to pay dividends on inflated trust stock, prices of steel products have been placed so high that trade has been ruined.

Another fact to be considered is the number of strikes now in progress in various parts of the country, occasioned by the demand for higher wages. If it be true that prosperity is prevailing, then employers can afford to meet the demands of their men. But if the employers' position be correct that they cannot afford to advance wages, then business is not what is being claimed for it. Either there is no "prosperity" or else the employers are retaining too large a proportion of the profits of production.

The "advance agents of prosperity," therefore, who have gone into politics are between two fires. They have the devil on one hand and the deep sea on the other. They fooled the country four years ago. We do not believe they can do it again.—Denver News.

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Primary System was Adopted.

De Soto, Mo., June 2.—The Democratic Congressional Committee of this (the 13th) congressional district met in this city to-day and decided on a primary to nominate a candidate for Congress. The committee was called to order by Chairman H. C. Bell and the original ten committeemen from the counties named were either present in person or by proxy as follows:

Dent, W. A. Young, proxy of W. J. Bennett;
Iron, Mann Ringo;
Jefferson, T. A. James;
Madison, Dan St. Clair, proxy of G. W. Lamper;
Perry, R. M. Wilson;
St. Francois, G. T. Tullock;
Texas, W. L. Hiett;
Washington, H. C. Bell;
Wayne, J. N. Holmes;
Wright, A. J. Summers, proxy of W. E. Young.

Of the five new committeemen selected in their respective counties, the following four were seated without question by the committee: From Carter, G. W. Munger;
Shannon, F. M. Chilton;
Webster, A. J. McDowell, proxy to F. R. Dearing.

The point was raised on A. H. Chadwell who asked to be seated from Ste. Genevieve county that he was not elected by mass meeting as specified by the State Committee, and the place was declared vacant by a vote of 8 to 6 and the vacancy was filled by electing the same man to fill the vacancy by a vote of 13 to one. A vote was then taken to decide on whether to hold a primary or a convention which stood as follows:

FOR PRIMARY—Carter, Iron, Perry, St. Francois, Washington, Wright, Shannon and Ste. Genevieve.

AGAINST PRIMARY—Dent, Jefferson, Madison, Reynolds, Texas, Wayne and Webster.

The vote of 8 to 7 showed the strength of the Primary, or Robb's forces and anti-Robb forces, as this was the final culmination of Mr. Robb's attempt of March 22 to force a congressional primary in this district. All of Mr. Robb's opponents were for a convention as follows: Dickey of Webster, Lamar of Texas, Shuck of Shannon, Munger of Wayne, Bean of Jefferson, Burks of St. Francois.

George W. Munger of Carter county voted with the primary side, and until this vote was taken was the convention side sure they had lost.

The date for the primary was set for August 11, 1900, and rules adopted requiring the polls to be open all day on that day and providing for judges and clerks of election, except the following counties, which will hold the congressional primary in conjunction with their primaries:

Iron, June 23;
Wayne, June 30;
Reynolds, August 4;
Jefferson, August 11;

The committee levied an assessment on the candidates of \$200 each, to be paid not later than June 16, and appointed an executive committee of three, H. C. Bell, chairman, C. T. Tullock, secretary and J. N. Holmes, to attend to all matters coming up and the full committee adjourned to meet in De Soto on August 17, to cast up the result of the votes in the primary and to certify the nomination to the Secretary of State.

All members and Democrats acquiesced in the result of the meeting and will support a primary.

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